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# HS2 Update

Kenilworth | Stoneleigh Park | Cubbington | Offchurch | Southam | **Spring 2019**

High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. This community update provides information about upcoming work on the railway in your area.

Preparations for main construction work on HS2 are now well underway. This ranges from undertaking archaeological investigations to moving existing utilities, such as water pipes and gas services.

In the greater west midlands, these enabling works are being delivered by LM - a joint venture between Laing O'Rourke and J. Murphy & Sons.

The main construction work will be carried out in future by BBV - a joint venture between Balfour Beatty and Vinci.

## Work in your area

- Ground investigations: we have recently completed some ground investigations in the Harbury and Ufton area. This involved digging a series of small holes to identify any existing, underground utilities, such as water pipes.
- Long Itchington Wood tunnel utilities: our ground

investigations are guiding the next phase of work in the area, which includes installing a new power supply for the future construction of the Long Itchington Wood tunnel. This work will involve road diversions in the area.

- Construction compound preparation: in June we will start preparations for three construction compounds in the area. This will include clearing the sites and creating vehicle access points.
- Archaeology and ecology: we will continue to create new wildlife habits and undertake archaeological investigations at sites along the route

## Stay in touch

HS2 teams will be hosting events across your area, with a number of activities planned for May and June.

You can keep up-to-date by visiting your local community website:

[hs2inwarwickshire.co.uk](http://hs2inwarwickshire.co.uk)



## Drop-in events

**Stoneleigh** village hall  
15 May 15.00 – 17.00

**Weston** village hall  
15 May 18.00 – 20.00

The **Kenilworth** Centre  
21 May 18.00 – 20.00

**Ufton** village hall  
30 May 18.00 – 20.00

**Come and visit us at  
Leamington Spa Town  
Hall Parade**  
6 June 10.00 – 18.00



# Long Itchington Wood tunnel – utilities

The first stage of work to provide power for the Long Itchington Wood tunnel is now complete. This involved carrying out ground investigation surveys along the route to identify any existing utilities located in the road. The second stage - in which we begin installing power, water and other utilities - is set to begin in April.

A twin bore tunnel will be constructed beneath Long Itchington wood as part of the main construction works. Before that, we need to provide a power and water supply for the tunnel boring machine (TBM), from the electricity substation near Harbury, to the north entrance to the tunnel off Welsh Road.

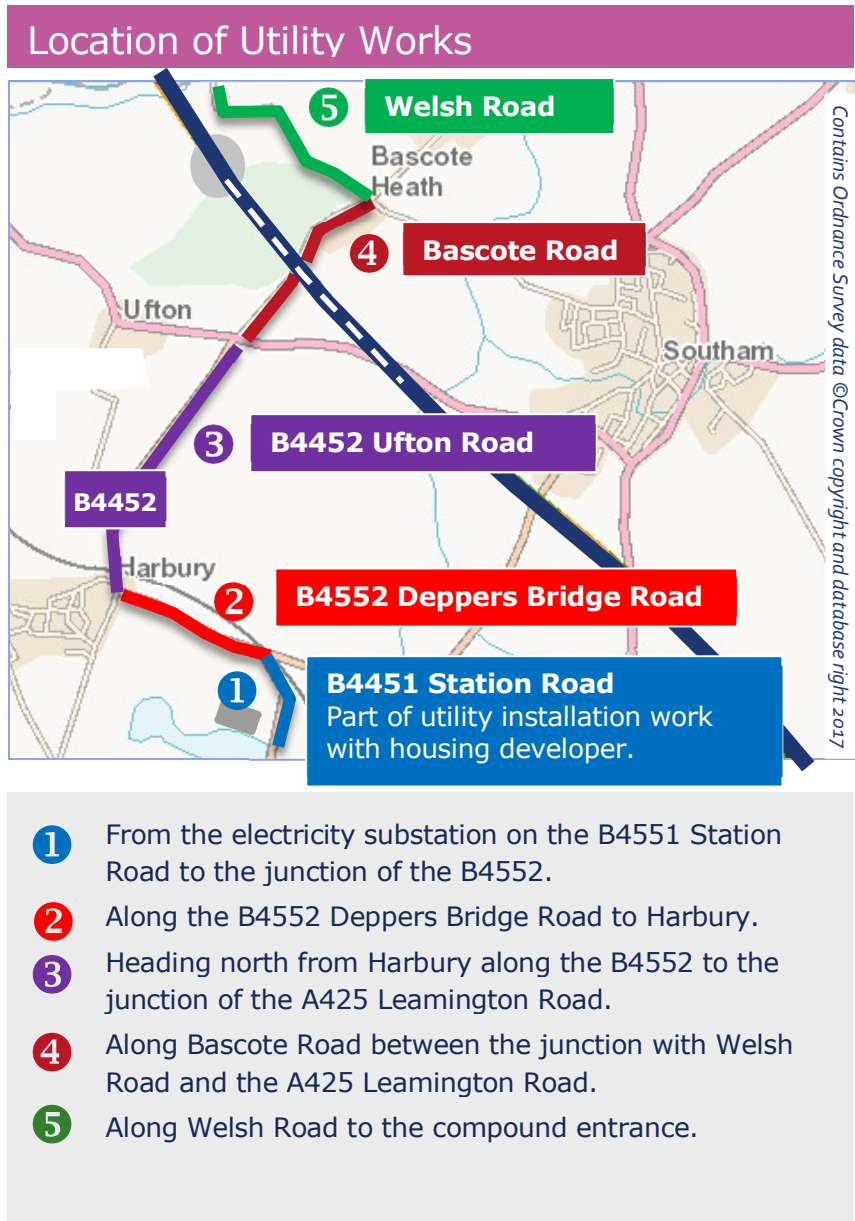
## Five phases

This work will be carried out in five phases starting on the B4451 Station Road. To minimise disruption to local people, the first phase will be carried out at the same time as utility installation works for a separate, unrelated housing development, opposite the electricity substation. A trench will be dug along the road to allow the installation of ducting. Two spare ducts will also be installed, providing the possibility to be used for other utilities in future.

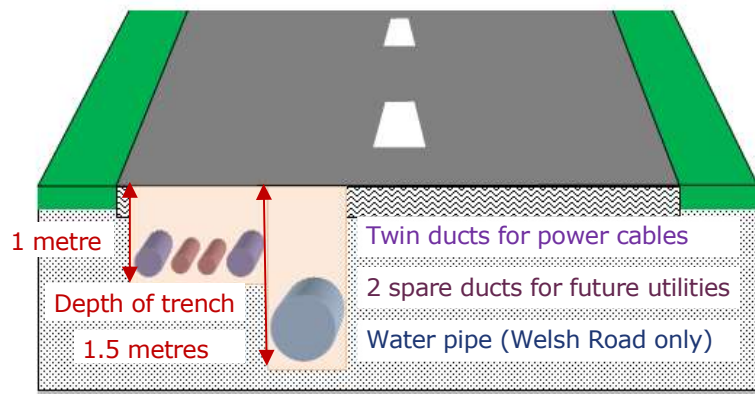
Once the road surface is reinstated, the power cables will be fed along the ducting to complete the installation.

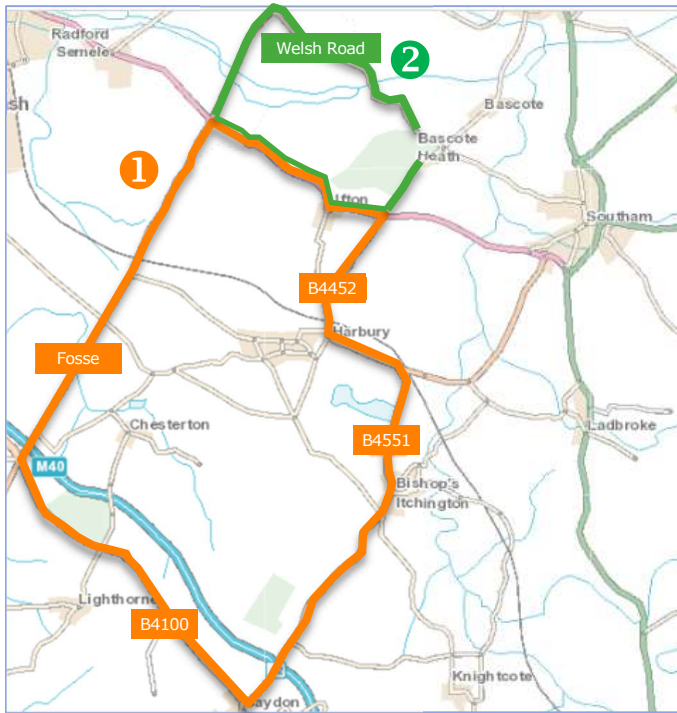
## Traffic Management

We will keep you up-to-date with the work in your area, including the timing of any traffic restrictions. Access will be maintained for households along the route and local businesses will remain open.



- 1** From the electricity substation on the B4551 Station Road to the junction of the B4552.
- 2** Along the B4552 Deppers Bridge Road to Harbury.
- 3** Heading north from Harbury along the B4552 to the junction of the A425 Leamington Road.
- 4** Along Bascote Road between the junction with Welsh Road and the A425 Leamington Road.
- 5** Along Welsh Road to the compound entrance.





For the latest traffic management planned in your area visit [roadworks.org warwickshire](http://roadworks.org-warwickshire)

## Planned diversion routes

Two road diversion routes will be in place during the Long Itchington Wood tunnel utilities works.

① The diversion route for phases 2 and 3 will take traffic along the Leamington Road, Fosse Way and along the B4100 to the B4551.

② The diversion route for phases 4 and 5 will take traffic along Welsh Road, Fosse Way and along the Leamington Road to the B4452

These planned diversion routes are subject to approval by Warwickshire County Council. Work along the B4452 is planned to take place during the school holiday period to avoid changes to the school bus service. Should any changes be required, parents and guardians of school children will be notified directly by the County Council.

The County Council will also provide updates about all public bus diversions via twitter and posters on any affected bus stops.

## Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM)

Once the utilities works are completed, the Long Itchington Wood tunnel can be constructed in future. The TBM will be delivered to the north end of the tunnel along Ridgeway Lane, which will be widened as part of the main construction works. Two tunnels will then be excavated beneath Long Itchington Wood. Once the first bore is complete, the TBM will be dismantled at the southern end and taken back to the northern entrance to be reassembled for the second bore.



## Compound preparation

Preparatory works for the temporary site compounds is set to begin in June. This involves vegetation clearance, levelling of the site, drainage and surfacing works, and creating an access to each site. Services – such as power, communications and water – will also be installed as part of these works.

There will be three main works compounds in your area:

- off Welsh Road for the Long Itchington Wood tunnel works
- next to the A46 at Stoneleigh Park with an access off Ashow Road
- along the Fosse Way at Offchurch.

A new temporary roundabout at the junction of the Fosse Way and Long Itchington Road will

be constructed once the compound preparation works are complete. This will provide access to the main works compound situated between the Fosse Way and Offchurch village.

A second roundabout on the Fosse Way to replace the junction at Welsh Road will also be constructed. Both roundabouts will be built alongside the existing road, with traffic disruption kept to a minimum.

Once the construction of HS2 is completed, all compounds will be removed and the area restored with minimum long-term impact to the environment.

For further details on compounds in your area, visit [hs2inwarwickshire.co.uk](http://hs2inwarwickshire.co.uk)

# Keeping you informed

We are committed to keeping you informed about work on HS2. This includes ensuring you know what to expect and when to expect it, as well as how we can help.

## Residents' Charter and Commissioner

The Residents' Charter is our promise to communicate as clearly as we possibly can with people who live along or near the HS2 route.

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-residents-charter](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-residents-charter)

We also have an independent Residents' Commissioner whose job is to make sure we keep to the promises we make in the Charter and to keep it under constant review. Find reports at:

[www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner)

You can contact the Commissioner at: [residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk](mailto:residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk)

## Construction Commissioner

The Construction Commissioner's role is to mediate and monitor the way in which HS2 Ltd manages and responds to construction complaints. You can contact the Construction Commissioner by emailing: [complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk](mailto:complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk)

## Property and compensation

You can find out all about HS2 and properties along the line of route by visiting:

[www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property)

Find out if you're eligible for compensation at:

[www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2](http://www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2)

## Holding us to account

If you are unhappy for any reason you can make a complaint via the helpline. For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website:

[www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain](http://www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain)

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